

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings, and all prior versions, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Heating device with at least first and second plate-like ceramic heating elements, which are electrically contacted on opposite flat sides ~~and by flat electrical conductors whereby~~ on at least one flat side of the first and second heating elements is provided at least one flat electrical conductor, wherein on another flat side of the heating elements there are at least two further flat electrical conductors which are electrically insulated against one another, each of the further flat electrical conductors being in contact with the another flat side of only a respective one of the first and second heating elements.

2. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the at least two further flat electrical conductors is in direct contact with a heating element.

3. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the at least two further flat electrical conductors is in indirect contact with a heating element.

4. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 3, wherein at least one of the at least two further flat electrical conductors is in contact via at least one electrically conductive spacer with at least one heating element.

5. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 4, wherein at least one of the at least two further flat electrical conductors is in contact via at least one electrically conductive spacer and a contact plate with a heating element.

6. (Original) Device according to claim 1, wherein at least one electrical conductor and/or electrically conductive contact plate are circumferentially held by at least one insulating frame.

7. (Original) Device according to claim 1, wherein at least one electrical conductor and/or electrically conductive spacer are circumferentially held by at least one insulating frame.

8. (Original) Device according to claim 1, wherein the at least two further flat conductors are electrically insulated against one another by at least one insulating spacer located between them.

9. (Original) Device according to claim 1, wherein at least one conductor has an area offset to at least one heating element.

10. (Original) Device according to claim 1, wherein the at least two further flat electrical conductors are contacted solely from one front side of the casing.

11. (Original) Device according to claim 1, wherein heating elements and conductors, together with optionally spacers are placed in a casing.

12. (Original) Device according to claim 11, wherein heating elements, conductors and optionally spacers are pressed in the casing.

13. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 10, wherein the casing has an electrically conductive construction and at least one flat side of the casing is in electrical contact with the flat side of at least one heating element remote from the at least two further flat electrical conductors.

14. (Original) Device according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the electrical conductors and/or electrically conductive spacer is injection-moulded around by an insulating holding frame for the heating elements.

15. (Original) Method for the manufacture of a heating device according to claim 1, wherein initially at least one electrical conductor and/or electrically conductive spacer is injection-moulded around with an insulating holding frame for the heating elements.

16. (Currently Amended) Heating device with at least first and second

plate-like ceramic heating elements, which are electrically contacted on opposite flat sides ~~and by flat electrical conductors whereby~~ on at least one side of the first and second heating elements is provided at least one flat, electrical conductor, wherein on another side of the heating elements there are at least two flat conductors which are electrically insulated against one another, each of the at least two flat conductors being in contact with only a respective one of the first and second heating elements and wherein at least one of the two flat electrical conductors is in indirect contact with a flat side of one of the heating elements.

17. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 16, wherein at least one of the two flat electrical conductors is in indirect contact with the flat side of at least one of the heating elements via at least one electrically conductive spacer.

18. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 16, wherein at least one of the two flat electrical conductors is in indirect contact with the flat side of at least one of the heating elements via at least one electrically conductive spacer and a contact plate.

19. (Currently Amended) ~~Device according to claim 2~~ Heating device with at least first and second plate-like ceramic heating elements, which are electrically contacted on opposite flat sides and on at least one flat side of the first and second heating elements is provided at least one flat electrical conductor, wherein on another flat side of the heating elements there are at least two further flat electrical conductors which are electrically insulated against one another, each of the further flat electrical conductors being in contact with the another flat side of a respective

one of the first and second heating elements, wherein at least one of the two further flat electrical conductors bent so as to have one part in direct contact with another flat side of a respective one of the first and second heating elements and another part offset therefrom and spaced from another flat side of a respective other one of the first and second heating elements.